GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
LOK SABHA

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ACCIDENT COMPENSATIONS
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the workers have not so far been paid compensation for accidents under Workers Compensation Act;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) the number of cases pending during the last three years, till September, 2000, State-wise; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government for expeditious disposal of these cases?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL)

(a) to (d) : The Workmen`s Compensation Act, 1923 provides for payment of compensation to the workman or dependants in the case of industrial accidents arising out of and in the course of employment resulting in disablement or death. The Act is applicable to the workmen employed in certain hazardous employments like factories, mines, railways, building construction industry etc. The provisions of the Act are being administered exclusively by State Governments and Union Territory administrations. As such, details of compensation paid in individual cases are not centrally maintained. The complaints about non-payment or dealyed payment of compensation, as and when received, are forwarded to the concerned State Government for taking appropriate remedial action.